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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
FORD BOULEVARD, ET AL.
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF EAST LOS ANGELES
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1)
(3 VOTES)

## IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to prepare the construction contract in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contract, and establish the effective date following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds filed by the contractor for the following:

 Project ID No. RDC0014452 - Ford Boulevard, et al., to resurface roadway pavement; construct sidewalk, curb and gutter, curb ramps, and bus pads; install striping and pavement markings; and root prune parkway trees, in the unincorporated community of East Los Angeles (1), to Bannaoun Engineers Constructors, in amount of \$353,075.62.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval to award this construction contract and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute the contract and establish the effective contract date following receipt of approved bonds and insurance filed by the contractor for this project.

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The attachment includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening date, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposal are also attached including an addendum to the contract specifications for this project.

The recommended construction contract is necessary to execute Board-directed and approved Department of Public Works projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract award and the subsequent execution of the contract will ensure the timely completion of the project.

## Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). Awarding this contract will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and will enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended contract amount of \$353,075.62 will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The attachment includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate and the other bids received.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Road Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund Budgets. The attachment includes more detailed fiscal and financial information.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel. The recommended contract was solicited on an open competitive basis and is in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractor is in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

The contract contains terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN/GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy

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No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202; and the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, which is defined as the firm that; (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation, including, but not limited to licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contract is awarded to the lowest responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with the Department of Public Works.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of this finding are included in the attachment.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The contract was solicited on an open competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

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The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with the Department of Public Works, this project was listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

The Department of Public Works will review and approve the faithful performance and payment bonds filed by the contractor.

## IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This construction contract will result in improved public works infrastructure in the community where the work is scheduled.

## CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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Attachment

c: County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

## AWARD OF CONTRACT January 29, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014452, FORD BOULEVARD, ET AL. (in the unincorporated community of East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1

TYPE OF WORK: Resurfacing of existing roadway pavement; construction of sidewalk,

curb and gutter, curb ramps, and bus pads; installation of striping and pavement markings; root pruning of parkway trees; and other

appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: October 2, 2007 (Agenda Item 45)

BID OPENING DATE: October 30, 2007

## **BID SUMMARY:**

| Low   | Bannaoun Engineers Constructors, a corporation 9614 Cozycroft Avenue Chatsworth, California 91311 (818) 999-0394                                   | \$353,075.62   |
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| 2<br>3<br>4<br>5<br>6<br>7                        | All American Asphalt Sully-Miller Contracting Company Sequel Contractor, Inc. Alliance Streetworks, Inc. Excel Paving Company Hardy & Harper, Inc. | \$391,200.00<br>\$428,575.20<br>\$437,346.07<br>\$465,434.50<br>\$485,308.95<br>\$525,017.70 |
| <u>FINA</u>                                       | NCIAL INFORMATION:   |  |
| Amount of estimate Amount of recommended contract |  | \$408,729.00<br>\$353,075.62   |

The amount of the recommended contract is 14 percent below the estimate.

Amount of recommended contract below estimate

This project will be administered under the Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) covered by Agreement No. 76078 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal-aid funds allocated to local agencies are used to reimburse a portion of the cost of the road improvement projects. We are also seeking a Rubberized Asphalt Concrete grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board to be used toward the cost of the pavement work.

\$ 55,653.38

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Road Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund Budgets.

# MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Bannoun Engineers Constructors has two DBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, yielding a DBE utilization of 8.5 percent.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**:

On October 2, 2007, Agenda Item 40, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

## **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 40 working days. It is estimated the work will start in March and be completed in April 2008.

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